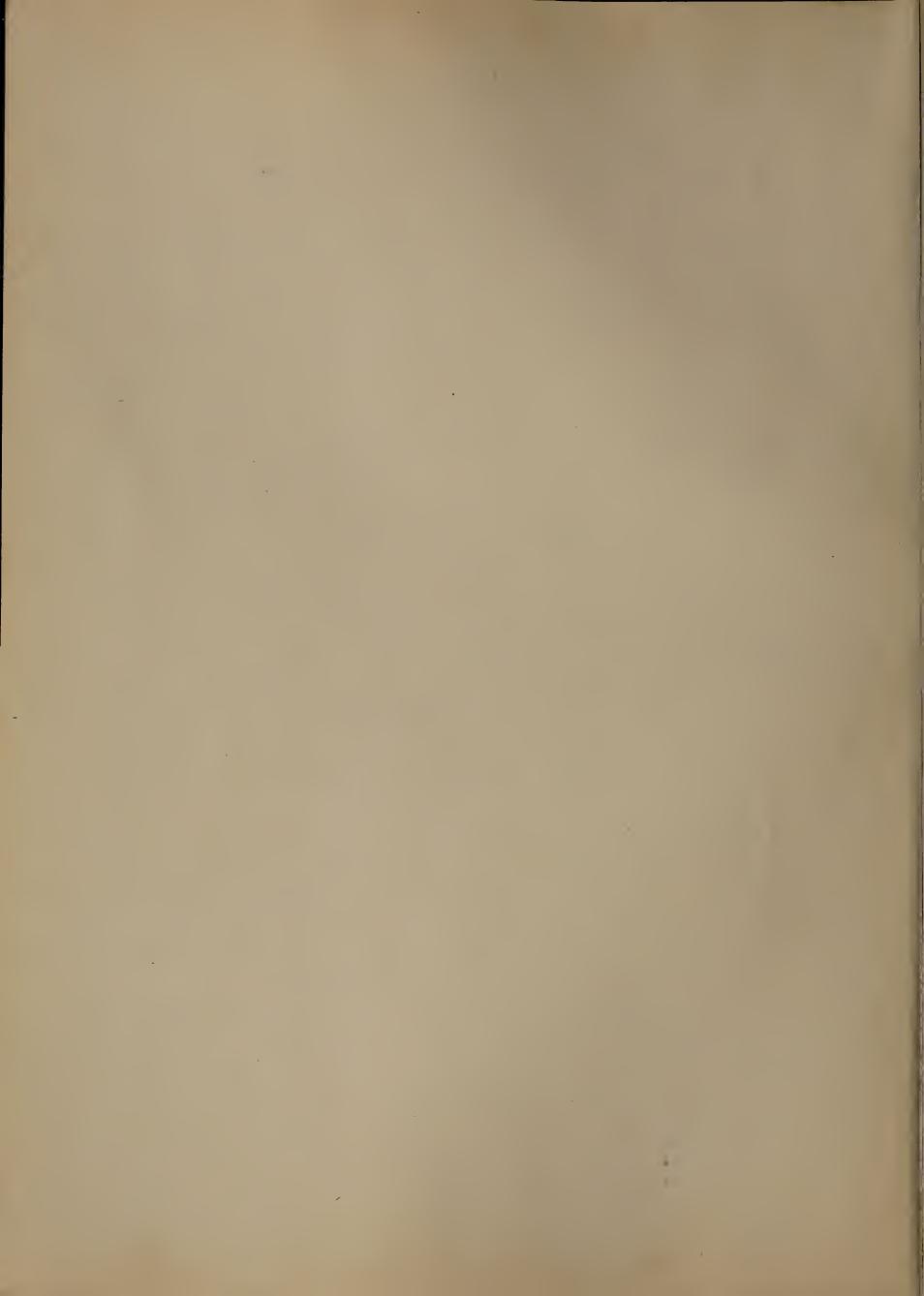
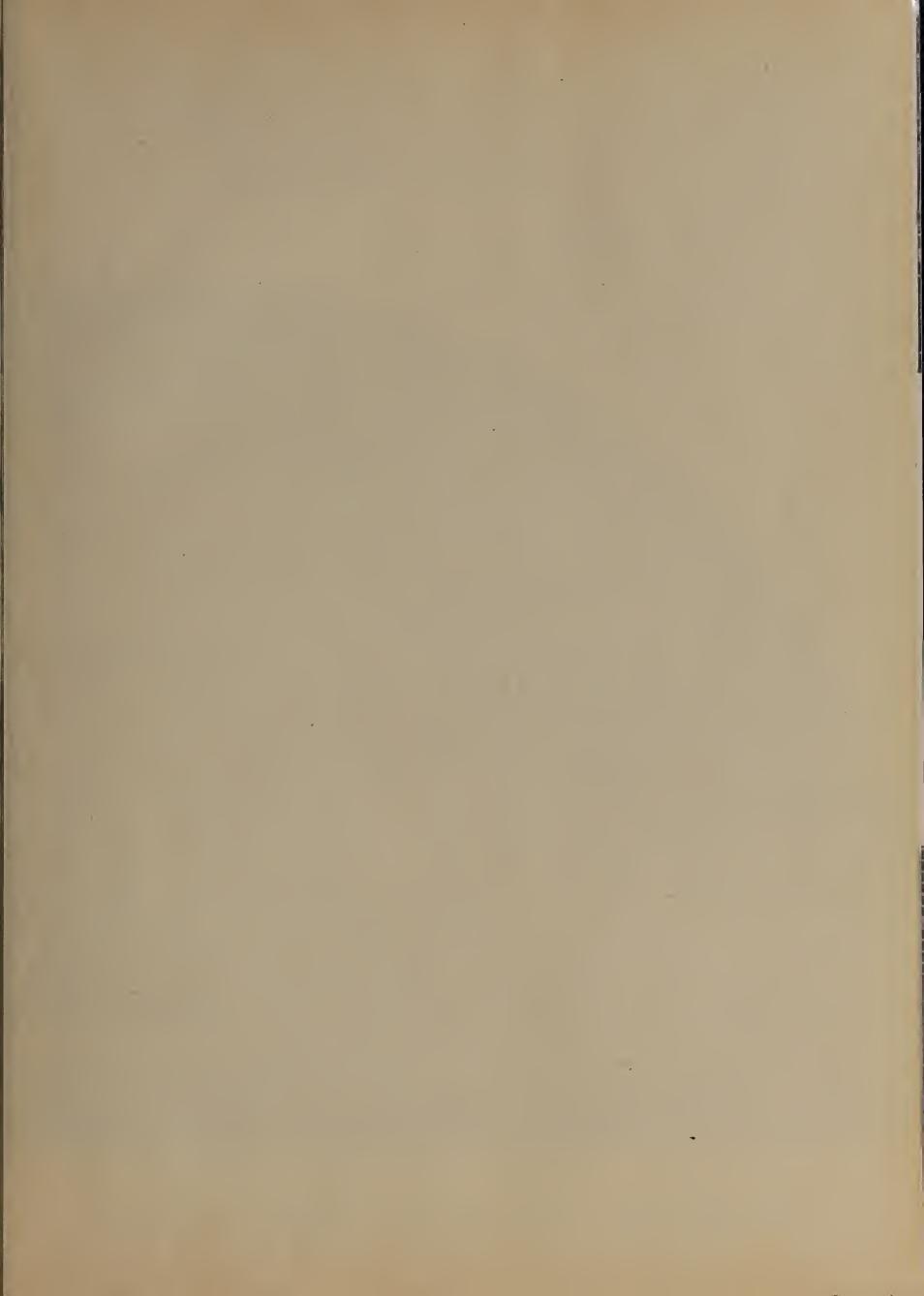
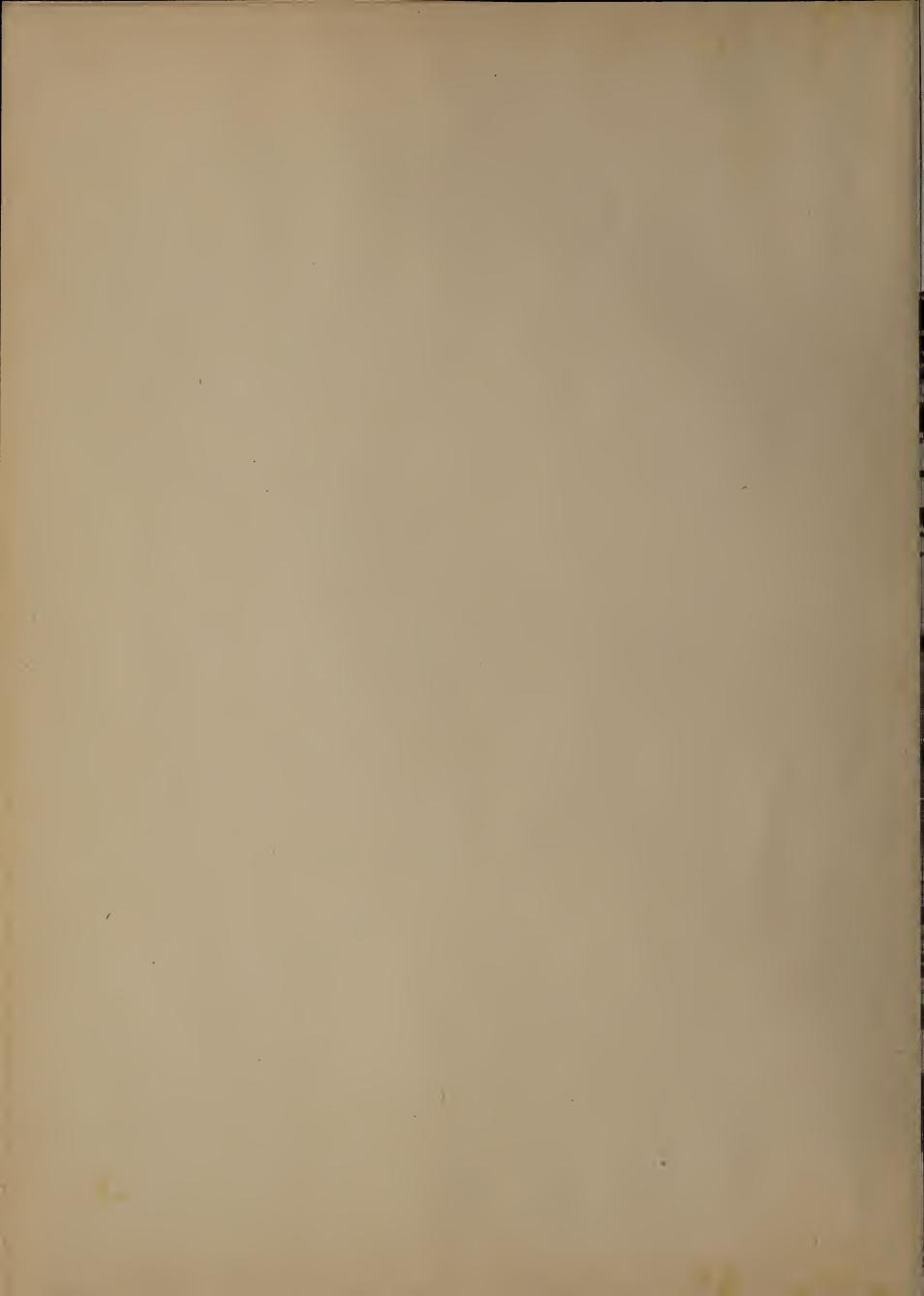


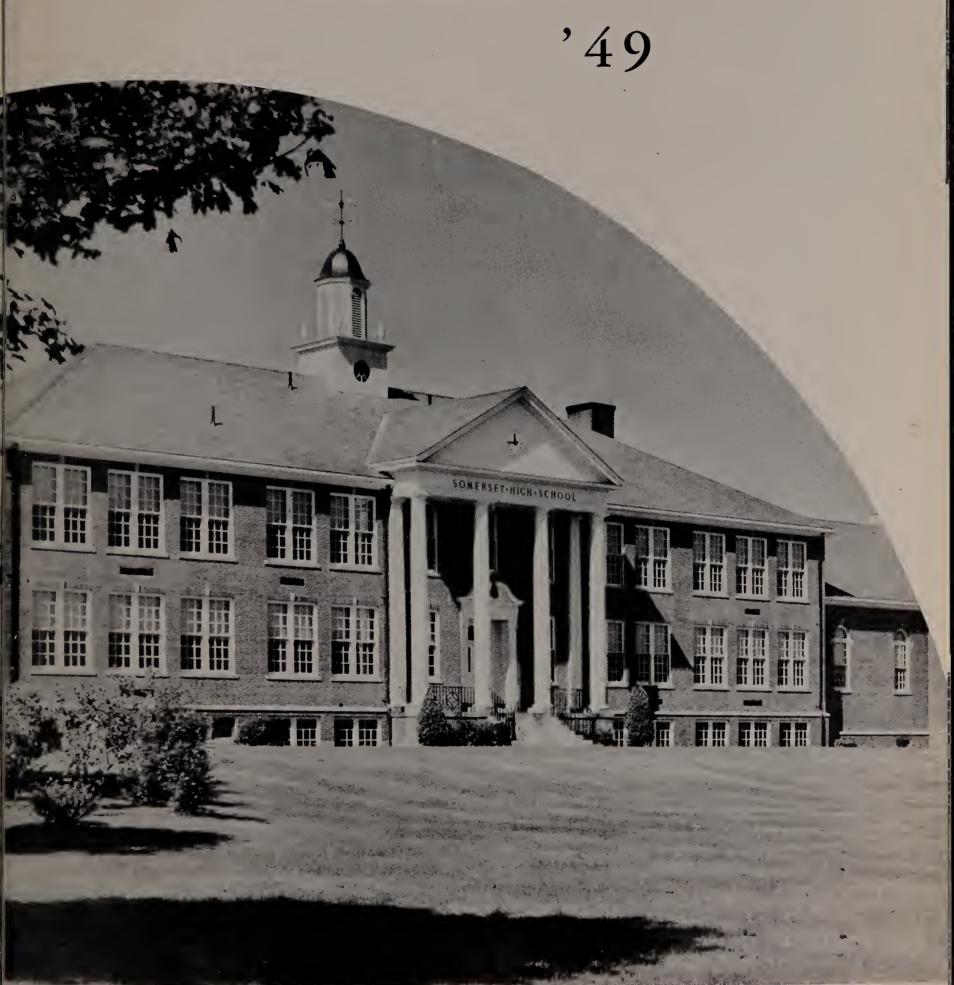
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SOMERSET HIGH SCHOOL



MR. FRANCIS J. KILGREW

We, the Class of 1949, dedicate MEMOIRS XII to our principal and friend, Mr. Francis J. Kilgrew. It was through your guidance and assistance that our High School days have been happy and successful. May you ever continue to guide the youth of Somerset High School.

DEDICATION

Principal MR. FRANCIS J. KILGREW





Vice-Principal
MISS RUTH B. MASON

FACULTY

First row, left to right: Mr. William A. Hart, Miss Mary E. Sullivan, Miss Ruth B. Mason, Mr. Francis J. Kilgrew, Miss M. Elizabeth Greene, Miss Mary L. Walsh, and Mr. George E. Morris. Second row: Mr. Raymond Gardner, Mr. John F. Kineavy, Mrs. Robert Staples, Miss Barbara R. Worton, Mr. Ralph Westcott, Mrs. Joseph Traynor, Miss Ruth B. Eddy, Mr. Harry Boudakian, and Mr. Edward J. Kaylor.





First row, left to right: Doris Thwaite, Joan Fredenburg, Phyllis Bradley, Editor-in-Chief; Joseph Barboza, Assistant Editor; Patricia Doyle, Dorothy Coulombe, and Catherine Quental. Second row: James Grimshaw, Albert Lawton, Louis LeComte, David Traynor, James Waring, Joseph O'Connell, Business Manager; Paul Heroux, Charles Bergeron, Carl Sanderson, and Robert Weeden. Lloyd Gold, Arlene Shutt, and Arthur Oliver are also members.

MEMOIRS STAFF

Inspired by the work on previous Yearbooks, the staff of MEMOIRS XII organized early and set right to work in planning their book. Under the supervision of Mr. Kilgrew, the Yearbook was completely revised and many new features added. Editor Phyllis Bradley immediately put her staff to work and by the time the

first deadline rolled around they were ready and waiting. Getting enough candids together was their main problem, but they have succeeded and have produced a Yearbook which will always remain as a tribute to the staff of MEMOIRS XII and a reminder of our High School days.





CLASS OFFICERS

Left to right: Charles Bergeron, President; Joan Fredenburg, Councillor; Arthur Soares, Councillor; Patricia Greene, Vice-President; Catherine Quental, Secretary. Ernest Pacheco is Class Treasurer.











JOSEPH BARBOZA, JR.

"Joe"... cheery smile... zest for living ... friendly personality... plenty of brains... a whiz at the keyboard... future Iturbi.

Orchestra, French Club, Honor Society, Round Table, School Pianist, Harvard Book Award, MEMOIRS (Assistant Editor).

DAVID HAMMOND BARLOW

"Dave" . . . smooth dancer . . . quiet (at times) . . . sports enthusiast . . . personality plus . . . plans to enlist in the Army Air Corps.

L. LEANDRE BERARD

"Lee" . . . quiet and reserved . . . swell sport . . . mighty interested in hunting and trapping . . . plans to make farming his career.

CHARLES ARTHUR BERGERON, JR.

"Chuck"...light hair and blue eyes... sparkling personality...lots of pep and vitality...popular with both sexes.
Round Table, French Club, Class President, MEMOIRS.

EVELYN TERESE BONIN

"Eve" . . . neat dresser . . . always a cheery hello . . . a friend to all . . . plans may include a certain male.

Shorthand Club.





NICHOLAS S. BIELLO

"Nick" . . . dark brown eyes . . . quiet and serious . . . friendly personality . . . a favorite with his friends . . . always a ready smile.

PHYLLIS MAY BRADLEY

"Phyl" . . . ready smile . . . soft spoken ... excess of gray matter ... a true friend ... another Florence Nightingale. MEMOIRS (Editor), French Club, Glee Club (Librarian), Cheerleader, Honor Society, Operetta, Basketball, Librarian (Chairman), Pep Squad.





MARY ELIZABETH BURNS

"Beth" . . . refined . . . clothes conscious ... very efficient ... nose for news ... sweet smile . . . a friend to all who know her.

Glee Club, Shorthand Club.

RICHARD L. CADORETTE

"Rick" . . . genius at the keyboard . . . scientifically inclined . . . sincere . . . well dressed . . . always a smile and a cheerful whistle.

Boys' Chorus, Science Club.







DOROTHY B. COULOMBE

"Dot" . . . stylish . . . Pepsodent smile ... natural curly hair ... speedy typist ... sincere friend.

Glee Club (President), Shorthand Club (President).



WARREN ROGER CHACE

"Chacie" . . . quiet but amiable . . . pleasant personality . . . always willing to help... plans to enter agricultural field. Baseball, Football,

ALBERT LUKE COMEAU, JR.

"Al" . . . famous for his sly wink . . . corny jokes galore . . . popular with opposite sex . . . a true flirt . . . fine athlete.

Baseball, Basketball, Football (Co-Captain).







CHARLES C. COURCIER

"Charlie" . . . gift of gab . . . lively debator . . . service with a smile . . . ardent baseball fan . . . friendly . . . plans to enter radio field.

Breeze (Business Manager), Operetta.

MARY PATRICIA DOYLE

"Pat" . . . cultured and fine manners . . . personality plus . . . big blue eyes . . . sports enthusiast . . . future includes teaching.

Basketball, MEMOIRS, Glee Club, Operetta, Breeze.

JANICE VIRGINIA DUCKWORTH

"Red"...charm and grace...vivacious redhead...our debator and songstress...full of fun...a good friend and a future nurse.

Basketball, Cheerleader, Pep Squad, Special Glee Club (Vice President), Round Table (Secretary), Junior Shorthand Club, Operetta.

ROLAND FENTON

Known for his corny jokes . . . good natured . . . can be, but seldom is serious . . . bubbling with spirit . . . plans to enter Naval Air Force.

JOAN CATHERINE FREDENBURG

"Jinx"... cute as a button... vigorous ... vivid personality... versatile... desirous of becoming a lab technician. Girl Councillor, Breeze, French Club (President), Round Table, Head Cheerleader, Pep Squad, Basketball, Special Glee Club (President), Junior Shorthand Club (President), Operetta.





LLOYD ARNOLD GOLD

Great mental capacity . . . jokes galore . . . blonde curly hair . . . his facial expressions speak for him . . . future composer or pianist.

French Club, Orchestra, MEMOIRS.

PATRICIA SYNAN GREENE

"Pat" . . . quiet, friendly attitude . . . a good promoter and worker . . . lots of school spirit . . . all the qualities of a good teacher.

Special Glee Club, French Club, Breeze (Assistant Editor), Cheerleader . . . Class Vice-President, Pep Squad, Operetta.





JAMES WILLIAM GRIMSHAW, JR.

"Jimmy" . . . happy-go-lucky . . . friendly personality . . . partial to the opposite sex . . . always a happy smile and a cheery "Hi." MEMOIRS.

JOHN PETER GINTER

"Pete" . . . joined us in our Senior year ... won himself many friends ... active member of USNR . . . certain to be a success.



JAMES BLAKE HAYDEN

Mischievous . . . friendly . . . a favorite with everybody . . . always a smile and a good (?) joke ... real swell guy.





PAUL R. HEROUX

Tall, dark, handsome . . . quiet personality . . . friendly, but sometimes shy . . . good basketball player . . . a true pal. Basketball, MEMOIRS.



RAYMOND L. KENNEY

"Ray" . . . quiet and unassuming . . . neat dresser . . . liked by all . . . active in social life . . . has what it takes . . . a winning smile.







PATRICIA FRANCES KILEY

"Pat" . . . cheerful and full of fun . . . active in school and out . . . vast number of friends . . . first to announce her engagement.

Glee Club, Pep Squad.

ARNOLD LAVOIE

Very quiet manner . . . has a keen interest in hunting and fishing . . . future plans are indefinite.

ALBERT LAWTON

"Al" . . . cheery disposition . . . Ipana smile . . . friendly personality . . . always surrounded by friends . . . whiz at photography.

MEMOIRS.

THOMAS LAWTON

"Tommy"...dramatic...abundance of jokes...a great pal...good brains...active...talented and recognized artist. French Club, Round Table, Breeze, Honor Society.

LOUIS GEORGE LECOMTE

Happy grin ... rugged build ... active in sports ... full of school spirit ... friend to all who know him ... amiable personality.

Football, MEMOIRS.





ROBERT LOPES

"Bob" . . . jovial . . . always a ready smile . . . friendly personality . . . famous for his cross-country trips . . . real swell fellow.

HELEN LUCIAN

Genial personality . . . full of fun . . . a regular gal . . . keeps SHS posted on latest fashions . . . a future secretary.

Shorthand Club, Glee Club.



ARTHUR L. MARION

Quiet, but very friendly . . . never fails to amaze his friends with his corny jokes (?) . . . future businessman.

CARLETON MARSDEN

Smart dresser . . . unassuming air . . . dignified and quiet . . . never lacks true friends . . . success in General Course.



THERESA I. MARTIN

"Terry"... newcomer to SHS... quickly became one of the most popular girls... enviable blonde hair.

Glee Club.



DOMINICK MASSA

"Nicky"... dark curly hair... friendly smile for everyone... his personality is tops... loads of pals.

MEMOIRS, Breeze.



COLETTE BLANCHE MICHAUD

Lively personality . . . full of fun . . . lots of pep . . . friendly . . . certain to be a successful nurse.

Glee Club (Librarian), French Club, Basketball, Cheerleader, Pep Squad.









PETER EDWARD MILLER

"Pete" . . . plenty of school spirit . . . never lacking in energy . . . quiet and easy going . . . constant grin . . . swell pal.

GERALDINE T. O'BRIEN

"Gerry"... petite... always laughing ... everyone's friend... very athletic ... lots of fun to be with... eager to please.

Basketball, Glee Club, Operetta.

WILLIAM D. O'BRIEN

"O. B." . . . the Army man . . . what wit! what humor! what's next? . . . unpredictable . . . popular with everyone . . . a good sport.

Boys' Chorus (President), Operetta.

JOSEPH JOHN O'CONNELL

"Joey"... bright red shirts and yellow ties... official chauffeur of the school ... full of pep and vitality... a sailor in his private navy.

Orchestra, Breeze (Business Manager), MEMOIRS (Business Manager), S. A. A. Treasurer.

ARTHUR J. OLIVER

"Walt"... SHS's news commentator... faithful rooter for the Blue and White ... his wit and personality fit in anywhere.

MEMOIRS (Business Manager), Operetta.





ERNEST C. PACHECO

"Ernie"...a whiz at figures... excellent bookkeeper... always a cheerful hello ... good trumpet player... business career forseen.

Class Treasurer, Orchestra, MEMOIRS.

CATHERINE QUENTAL

"Kitty" . . . neat dresser . . . willing to help . . . dependable . . . good leader ... efficient typist ... the perfect secretary.

Class Secretary, Special Glee Club (Secretary), Shorthand Club, Operetta, MEMOIRS.





MABEL ELIZABETH RIVARD

"Mae" . . . full of liveliness and good nature . . . among the best dressed of the class . . . interested in fashion, art, and design.

Glee Club, Shorthand Club, Pep Squad.

CLAIRE RONDEAU

Small brunette . . . appealing face and cute smile . . . talent as an artist . . . excellent typist . . . competent secretary for future.

Shorthand Club, Glee Club.



CARL E. SANDERSON

"Sandy" . . . bursting with school spirit ... active in all sports ... keen wit and humor make him everybody's friend. SAA President, Basketball, Baseball, Football, MEMOIRS.



DOLORES SANTOS

"Del" . . . ready smile and cheery word for everyone . . . ardent athlete . . . enjoys fencing . . . plans to be Physical Ed. instructor.

Glee Club, Pep Squad.







EDWARD SANTOS

"Eddy" . . . one of the quietest members of the class . . . enviable black curly hair . . . future businessman.









PHYLLIS SHAW

"Phyl"... popular Commercial student ... always willing to help in all activities... many friends... no future plans. Shorthand Club, Glee Club.

ARLENE SHUTT

Dignified and quiet ... good student ... amiable personality ... true friend ... interested in telephone work.

Glee Club (Vice-President), MEMOIRS.

BARBARA SMITH

"Babs" . . . red hair . . . fine sense of humor . . . all around likeable girl . . . sweet singing voice . . . blushes easily . . . good sport.

Special Glee Club.

ARTHUR SOARES

"Archie" . . . shy fellow . . . liked by everyone . . . a basketball sharpshooter . . . talented in cartooning.

Boy Councillor, Baseball, Basketball (Captain), Football.

CLIFFORD SOUTHWICK

"Cliff" . . . good natured . . . calm and collected always . . . loves hunting and fishing . . . noted for his "Banker's signature."





GEORGE BRANDÂO SOUZA

Quiet and agreeable manner ... proved to be a reliable worker ... jet black curly hair ... a faithful friend ... swell fellow.

MARY LOUISE SULLIVAN

"Mary Lou" . . . artistic flare . . . very original . . . interested in clothes designing . . . makes the Breeze hum . . . a real pal.

French Club, Glee Club, Librarian, Breeze Editor, Basketball.





DORIS JANET THWAITE

"Dot" . . . steady and dependable . . . a meaningful smile . . . prominent athlete ... future Physical Ed. instructor. Basketball, Cheerleader, MEMOIRS, Breeze, Glee Club, Pep Squad.

LORRAINE TRAFKA

"Lee" . . . friendly personality . . . eager to please ... popular with all her friends ... plans to enter business world. Shorthand Club, Special Glee Club.

DAVID RICHARDSON TRAYNOR

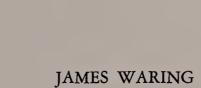
"Dave" . . . suave manner . . . tall and handsome . . . likeable . . . cool and dramatic . . . historian.

Round Table, French Club, Boys' Chorus, Operetta, MEMOIRS, Basketball, Baseball (Captain).



EDWARD TUTTLE

"Tut" ... happy, with a friendly whistle ... wide grin ... easy to get along with . . . plans to join the Navy.



"Jim" . . . always available for any job ... neat and industrious ... excellent biology student . . . interested in newspaper work.

MEMOIRS.











ROBERT B. WEEDEN

"Bob" . . . modest and unselfish . . . "stick to it" determination . . . well-liked . . . a "brain" in the biological field.

Round Table, MEMOIRS, French Club, Operetta, Boys' Chorus.



JOSEPHINE YATA

"Jo" . . . quiet and ambitious . . . unassuming attitude . . . successful in her studies . . . one of the favorites of the Commercial Course.

Glee Club.



EDWARD WHALEN

"Ed" . . . full of school spirit . . . smooth dancer . . . good worker . . . easy mixer . . . hard worker on football team.

Football, Basketball.

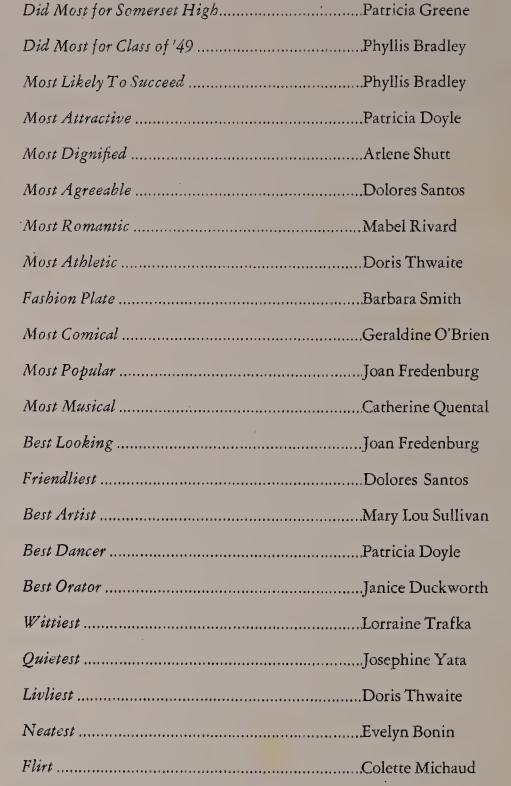
The gi'e us a hand my trusty friend, And here's a hand o' mine While all our days We sing the praise Of the Class o' Forty-nine





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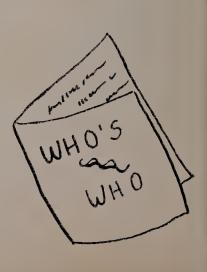


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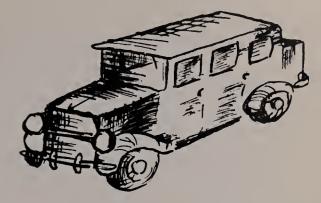
Joseph O'Connell







CLASS WILL



We, the Class of 1949, being of sound and disposing minds, make, publish and declare this, of our own free will and accord, our last will and testament:

- I, James Waring, leave my six feet three inches to Kenneth Jack in hopes that he may soon be able to erase the boards.
- I, David Traynor, leave my long arms to next year's basketball guards.
- We, Joan Fredenburg and Marilou Sullivan, leave our locker to someone who has the time to clean it out.
- I, Clifford Southwick, leave my signature to any person who has hopes of becoming a future banker.
- I, Joseph O'Connell, leave my red shirts and yellow ties to anyone brave enough to wear them.
- We, Comeau, Sanderson, and Soares, leave our sports ability to all future athletic teams at S.H.S.
- I, Phyllis Shaw, leave my freckles to anyone who will take them.
- I, Barbara Smith, leave my "New Look" to Marilyn Araujo-may she keep it in style at S.H.S.
- I, Ernest Pacheco, leave my dancing ability to all Freshmen who have yet to brave the dangers of the dance floor.
- I, Thomas Lawton, leave my French accent to Preston Smith to use next year when the class needs a laugh.
- I, Rick Cadorette, leave my piano playing ability to anyone who will enliven the early morning pre-school hours.
- I, Blake Hayden, leave my songs to brighten up the rides on the Blue Bolt to "away" games.
- We, the Staff of Memoirs XII, leave our book to encourage next year's staff when the going gets rough.

We have heretofore ascribed our names and affixed our seal this fifteenth day of June, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and forty-nine.









CLASS



As I look back through the years, my mind dwells upon those wonderful days at Somerset High—days which brought us a wealth of knowledge along with friends who will never be forgotten. Through those cheery portals we passed each day, not realizing how this daily routine had become a part of us. Yes, it all seems like a dream—a beautiful dream from which we can never truly awaken.

In the fall of 1945, we became a part of the student body, having to become accustomed to new rules, programs, teachers, and friends. Under the able direction of Mr. McHugh, we elected Charles Bergeron as President; Claire Powers, Vice-President; Mabel Rivard, Secretary; Carl Sanderson, Treasurer; Patricia Morgan, Girl Councillor; and Albert Comeau as Boy Councillor. In the "Welcome Dance" sponsored by the Senior Class we were introduced to the school and to each other. Somerset High, with its fine basketball team, finally played at Boston Garden. Although we were defeated by Provincetown in the semi-finals, it was a great thrill and a wonderful experience. We found ourselves "in the red" after our first enterprise—"The Spring Hop;" but, we were just "unworldly" Freshmen. Our last excursion of the year was the sight-seeing trip to Boston, which was highlighted by an exhausting climb to the top of the Bunker Hill Monument . . . a fine ending to a wonderful "first year" at Somerset High.

After a relaxing summer, we, as sophisticated Sophomores, became upper classmen. With Miss Harrington as our advisor we elected as President, Joseph Wolstencroft; Vice-President, Claire Powers; Secretary, Dolores Santos; Treasurer, Carl Sanderson; Girl Councillor, Patricia Morgan; and as Boy Councillor, Albert Comeau. Again, we were fortunate enough—or should I say, "our team was skilled enough"—to play at Boston Garden, but again we were defeated in the semi-finals by Provincetown. Our last day of school was spent at Fort Phoenix, and our Sophomore year ended with a "fun-packed" evening at Lincoln Park.

We began to feel ourselves growing up as we entered our Junior Year. With the guidance of Miss Harrington we elected as our class officers, Joseph Barboza, President; Phyllis Bradley, Vice-President; Janice Duckworth, Secretary; David Traynor, Treasurer; Joan Fredenburg, Girl Councillor; and Paul Heroux, Boy Councillor. We gained confidence in ourselves with the presentation of our "Junior Barn Dance," a spectacular Novem-



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ber "hop" with a humorous floor show; for it was one of the best dances in the school's history. This was the year which caused us so much excitement, for our basketball team beat our old "jinx," Provincetown; and proudly won the title, "Class C Champs," by defeating Oliver Ames in the finals. It was with much excitement that we, as Juniors, became the proud owners of our long-awaited class rings. They bore the symbol of our school—a step further on the road to graduation. How proud we were to wear them! Our present to the grateful Class of 1948 was the annual "Junior-Senior Prom," which set the record for attendance at Proms. The beautiful decorations on an "Alice in Wonderland" motif proved very successful and a splendid farewell to the graduating class. Once again, we spent another happy day together at Fort Phoenix saying "good-bye" for the summer.

The fall of 1948 finally arrived and we found ourselves lofty members of the Senior Class. It just couldn't be true! Yet, we weren't dreaming! We elected, with Miss Mason as our new advisor, Charles Bergeron as President; Patricia Green, Vice-President; Catherine Quental, Secretary; Ernest Pacheco, Treasurer; Joan Fredenburg, Girl Councillor; and Arthur Soares as Boy Councillor. Our first dance of the year was the "Welcome Hop" at which the Freshmen were introduced. We, as Seniors, could well understand the feelings of the wide-eyed Freshmen. In November, Mr. Kilgrew appointed the staff of Memoirs XII; and, with Phyllis Bradley as Editor, Joseph Barboza, her assistant, and Joseph O'Connell as Business Manager, we began to busy ourselves in collecting data for our splendid Yearbook. "The Pirates of Penzance," the operetta in which many members of the Senior Class took part, was a great success, and after its production we found ourselves beginning to feel the strain of "solid" studying for various exams. In February we received a part of our Senior Orals-—a present on which to work during the February vacation. The muchawaited "Sadie Hawkin's Day" was sponsored, and it proved to be an all day affair, with much fun for all. With the coming of the Class Banquet, the Senior Prom, and the Class Outing, we began to attract much attention by our endless bustling.

And so, as I close the blue cover of my memory-filled treasure chest, my mind is filled with rosy thoughts of four wonderful years. And, through the blur of dreamy and exciting happenings, there is the one memorable event which brought many a lump to the throats of my friends—Graduation Night. It wasn't until we received our diplomas that we realized we were no longer Seniors—we were Alumni!!!



CLASS



On a cold day in January, 1959, the new eighty-sixth Congress convened in Washington. The first business on the day's agenda was a committee report on the value of a high school education to the future citizens of the country. This survey is required by the Bergeron-Traynor Act, which calls for an annual report on the influence of education upon American life. It was decided that the committee investigate the alumni of a typical American high school ten years after graduation to learn what contributions they had made to the nation's welfare. Somerset High School, of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the Alma Mater of the two sponsors of this bill, was chosen. After the roll call by Clerk of Congress, Ernest Pacheco, the report of Committeemen Dave Barlow and Jim Waring, high school colleagues of Bergeron and Traynor, was read as follows:

"We traveled to Somerset on the U.S.S. Jean, a new deluxe steamship of the O'Connell Lines. We were shown to our quarters by stewardesses Mabel Rivard and Theresa Martin. On deck, we were surprised to see crewmen Blake Hayden and Pete Ginter. A special banquet was prepared for us by chef Roland Fenton, after which music was furnished by Rick Cadorette and his orchestra.

"Following a pleasant voyage up the coastline, we arrived at Newport, and then transferred to one of the Kenney-LeCompte taxis, which have set a standard of excellence in the field of Eastern transportation. Much to our dismay, we were stopped in Tiverton by a brash young police chief named Cliff Southwick. When he heard of our mission, he conferred with his driver, detective Ed Whalen, and they decided to let us continue on our way. Upon arriving in Somerset, we noticed that a new Junior High School had been built, and we later learned that it was designed by architect Tommy Lawton, and built under the direction of Ed Tuttle. We entered the building and were greeted graciously by Pat Doyle, the seventh grade teacher, Dot Thwaite, the girls' gym instructor, and school nurse Collette Michaud. They informed us that a benefit concert was being staged that week for the March of Dimes Campaign. The performers were to be the great concert pianists Joseph Barboza and Lloyd Gold, the former a Harvard graduate, and the latter an alumnus of Yale. As a prelude to the concert, nurses Phyl Bradley and Janice Duckworth, both high honor graduates of accredited hospitals, had been scheduled to speak on the modern methods of treating contagious diseases. Charlie Courcier, renowned radio announcer, had been giving special advertising to the concert over Somerset's own radio station, WSHS. Archie Soares, the great basketball star of the Kentucky Wildcats, was holding a free basketball clinic for crippled children. Carl Sanderson, head referee of the Narry League, had offered his services, also. The townspeople were certainly behind this campaign.

"After several more days of research, which carried us from Marilou's Fashion Salon to Pete Miller's Garage, we decided to split ranks to finish our search for the members of the class.

"Helen Lucian and Lorraine Trafka were found to be working as accountants in a Providence office under the supervision of manager George Souza.

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"In the evening we were entertained at the Biltmore Hotel by Head Manager Warren Chace and his charming hostess, Joan Fredenburg.

"The next morning we decided to take a drive in the country. We were nearly struck by a stray bullet from hunter Arnold Lavoie's gun, quickly followed by another from the rifle of Bob Lopes.

"On our return to the city we spotted Ed Santos's Barber Shop, which seemed to be doing a thriving business. Just above the shop, we saw a sign which read "Biello's Shipping Company." During our conversation with Nick, we learned that Bob Weeden was working as a diver, exploring the land below the sea.

"At our hotel we received a note from the Navy Department, in which Eve Bonin, the secretary of Admiral Berard, informed us that the Admiral had extended his cordial greetings.

"Next, we visited the Brown and Sharpe Machine Company and were shown some new equipment designed by foremen Marsden and O'Brien.

"Looking for an evening's entertainment, we noticed that the marquee of the Metro-politan Theater was advertising its sensational comedian, Al Comeau. We were immediately interested in this show, and bought our tickets from Dot Coulombe, cashier. Del Santos was one of the cordial hostesses, and Phyl Shaw, a charming usher, escorted us to our places. Seated next to us were Art Oliver and Paul Heroux, Vice-Presidents of the Robert Burns Cigar Company. Another magnate of the business world was Nick Massa, chief poultry producer of Bristol County. During intermission, Al Lawton, Providence Journal photographer, took pictures of the celebrities present. He was assisted by Art Marion, his colleague, who took care of the interviewing.

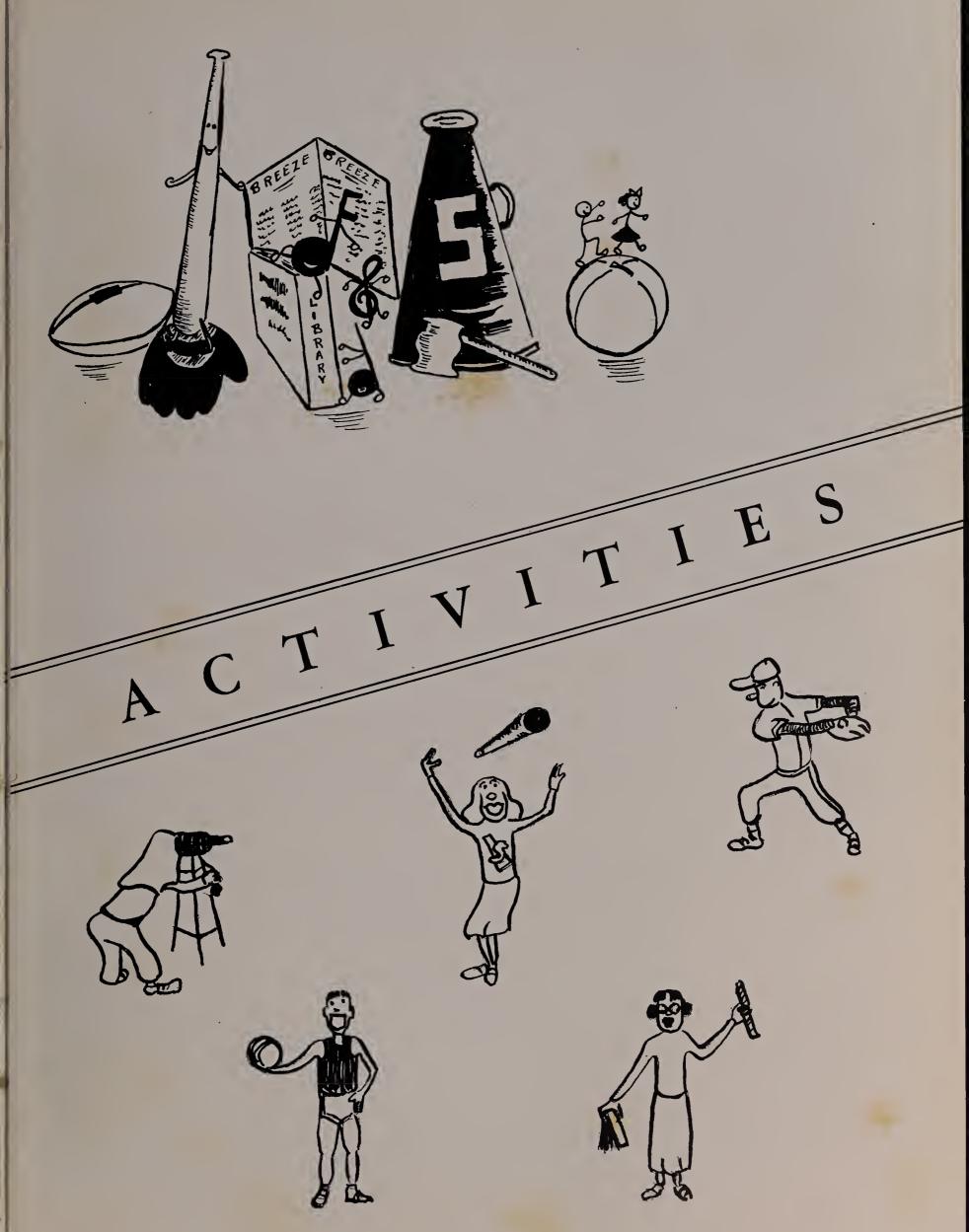
"Leaving the theater, we stepped into Smith's restaurant, owned by Pat Kiley and her husband. Gerry O'Brien was managing it while the proprietors were on vacation. She told us that Claire Rondeau and Arlene Shutt were modelling at a New York style show and that Josi Yata had just returned from the West Coast, where she had been working as a make-up artist. We were escorted to a table directly opposite one occupied by Pat Greene, a third grade teacher in a nearby school, and Mary Burns, a secretary to a large printing firm.

"Walking down Main Street to get a bus to the airport, we saw the world-famed jewelry store of J. W. Grimshaw. Nearby was Bab's and Kitty's Millinery Shop—said to be the most exclusive one of its kind in New England.

"Thus, having contacted all the members of the Somerset High School Class of 1949, we have returned to Washington to report that this class has prospered and is enjoying unbounded success. We feel assured that the education received by the members of this group has enabled them to find places in American society as competent and intelligent citizens."









A group which is continually busy making the laws and planning the social events for the year is the Student Council. The Council also supports all athletic activities and, therefore, has to work diligently to keep the treasury in balance. A successful public auction and bean supper and an even more successful operetta, "The Pirates of Penzance," were the main projects of the year. The members of the group helped to outfit our newly formed band. The Student Council acts as a binding agent between the students and faculty.

STUDENT COUNCIL

MEMBERS

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LIBRARIANS

The task of keeping track of more than three thousand books and the students who borrow them is one which keeps all the librarians busy. Each year they are given their assignments, so planned that there is a librarian on duty at all times. Throughout the year, meetings were conducted by Chairman Phyllis Bradley. These meetings were usually climaxed with "coke" sessions. After the final inventory was completed, the librarians celebrated with a special dinner party.

MEMBERS

Seated: Mary Travers, Secretary; Edith Bouley, Treasurer; Phyllis Bradley, Chairman; Mary L. Sullivan, Cataloger; and Janice Duckworth. Standing: Mr. William A. Hart, Advisor; Barbara Barnett, Madlyn Crawford, Phyllis Gell, Barbara Wilson, Virginia Wilson, Marilyn Mendillo, Nancy George, Dorothy Lee, and Evelyn Soares.



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"Le Cercle Français" organized early in September, and soon plans were completed for a trip to Mount Hope on Mr. Traynor's catboat. Miss Walsh and Mr. Morris were chaperons. Following this successful outing, the club launched its annual dance, this year's motif being "La Place d'Etoile." Throughout the year, packages and letters were sent to a French orphan adopted by the club. At the conclusion of the second term, initiation of new members from the Junior Class took place. Eleven new members were admitted at the impressive ceremony.

ROUND TABLE

"The Knights of the Round Table" is Somerset High's debating and historical society. Its members are chosen because of their dramatic ability and interest in history. Meeting every Thursday, the members of the Round Table discuss current news topics and form views and opinions in the light of the presented facts. An annual assembly, usually in the form of a debate, is presented each year. A hockey game in Boston was attended by the group during the winter season.



MEMBERS

Seated: Robert Weeden, Treasurer; Mr. J. Kineavy, Advisor; David Traynor, President; Charles Bergeron, Vice-President; and Janice Duckworth, Secretary. Standing: Joseph Barboza, Thomas Lawton, Charles Carpenter, Robert Doonan, Preston Smith, Elizabeth Dafgard, Joan Fredenburg, and Sheila Doyle.



"The Breeze" is the official publication of Somerset High, published bi-monthly by the staff. Under the direction of its editor, "The Breeze" has grown in size and content and has been enlivened by cartoons and drawings. Included in its columns are social notes, editorials, school news, original stories, and sports articles. The chief purposes of the paper are to provide enjoyment for the students, to represent them on important issues, and to develop a feeling of school spirit. May "The Breeze" ever continue to blow!

THE BREEZE

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SHORTHAND CLUBS

Organized for the educational and social benefit of Commercial students, the Shorthand Clubs have continued to do fine work under the guidance of their advisor, Miss Mason. The clubs meet monthly during the classroom period. Throughout the year, candy was sold by both groups to increase their treasuries. A very successful dance and later a cake sale were sponsored by the groups. Both organizations plan for an annual outing, usually in the form of a dinner and theater party.

OFFICERS

Seated (Senior Officers): Josephine Yata, Treasurer; Dorothy Coulombe, Vice-President; Helen Lucian, President; and Claire Rondeau, Secretary. Standing (Junior Officers): Elaine Medeiros, Secretary; Joan Fredenburg, President; Miss Mason, Advisor; Theresa Cordeiro, Vice-President; and Evelyn Soares, Treasurer.



ORCHESTRA

MEMBERS

First row: W. True, J. Gonsalves, H. Oberman, W. Dickinson, T. Parent, J. Weeden, and R. Bence. Second row: J. Barboza, P. Ginalski, W. Johnson, R. Broughton, K. Wheelock, M. Buote, and J. Di-Santi. Third row: C. Harrington, L. Gold, R. Hart, J. Gagnon, and H. Veloza.



The orchestra of the '48-'49 year has earned the finest reputation of any to represent Somerset High. Under the excellent supervision of Miss Ruth Eddy, the orchestra has performed for school assemblies and various organizations. Highlighting this year's activities were its performances in "Melody Night," the exchange assembly with Dighton High, and a Parent-Teacher's meeting. Their shining accomplishment was a full orchestral accompaniment for the Gilbert and Sullivan operetta, "Pirates of Penzance." The orchestra also played at graduation.

GIRLS' CHORUS

Membership in the Girls' Chorus is open to all girls of the school. Officers, however, must be in their Junior or Senior year. The chorus began its year by taking part in the colorful operetta, "The Pirates of Penzance," presented in December. With the new year, plans for a musical assembly were undertaken and the chorus presented a short musical skit, "Girls from College City." The musical year was climaxed by graduation to which all musical groups contributed. These groups are all directed by Miss Ruth B. Eddy.



OFFICERS

Seated: Sheila Doyle, Treasurer; Dorothy Coulombe, President; Mary Travers, Secretary. Standing: Colette Michaud and Phyllis Bradley, Librarians; Arlene Shutt is Vice-President.



This club is composed of students who possess exceptionally fine voices. It never exceeds twenty-four members. Meetings are conducted on Wednesdays when the girls rehearse pieces for their special programs. Their activities during the past year included a "Melody Night" performance, participation in the operetta, assembly programs, and graduation. The concluding activity was a trip to the Eastern Massachusetts Music Festival. Here, an "A" rating was achieved for outstanding performance.

SPECIAL GLEE CLUB

MEMBERS

First row: J. Gonsalves, E. Medeiros, M. Crawford, Treasurer; B. Smith, N. George, E. Bouley, C. Camara, and M. Camara. Second row: D. Lee, M. Mendillo, Librarian; E. Deane, J. Fredenburg, President; J. Duckworth, Vice-President; P. Greene, T. Parent, and D. Nordeste. Third row: L. Trafka, W. Dickinson, J. Murphy, P. Gell, E. Dafgard, B. Singleton, J. Harrison, and C. Quental, Secretary.

THE PIRATES OF PENZANCE

On the night of December 17, 1948, the stage of Somerset High School was transformed into a rocky coastline and cave which the feared Pirates of Penzance inhabited. Again, one of Gilbert and Sullivan's light operas unfolded a story of adventure and enchantment. The leads were carefully chosen for both singing and acting ability. The fine chorus was composed of members from all musical groups. Miss Ruth B. Eddy was the musical director, and Miss Mary L. Walsh and Mr. Francis J. Kilgrew were dramatic coaches.

Left to right: Robert Doonan, the Pirate King; Preston Smith, the Police Chief; Janice Duckworth, Ruth; David Traynor, Frederick; Madlyn Crawford, Mabel; and Richard Barrar, Major General Stanley.





Captain Archie Soares tosses the ball during the Diman game at the Boys' Club.



Our newly formed band in full formation at the annual Thanksgiving Day game.



Coach Boudakian is presented a jacket by the athletic teams at the annual Booster Night.

The girls ended their successful season in a three way tie for first place.



Si Vilela, top ground gainer for the Raiders, carries the ball at Hanover.







First row: D. Rivard, C. Carpenter, E. Whalen, C. Sanderson, A. Comeau and S. Vilela, Co-Captains; C. Lynch, L. LeComte, A. Oliveira, P. Ginter, and G. Lee. Second row: E. Sullivan, Assistant Manager; R. Martin, D. Santos, R. O'Connell, C. Demers, J. Mullen, J. Leonard, A. Soares, R. Ferreira, Manager; Coach Boudakian. Third row: A. Guillemette, W. Chace, A. Waitt, R. Broughton, R. Barrar, C. Robinson, B. Hayden, and P. Smith.

FOOTBALL

ST. ANTHONY GAME

The persistence of the Blue and White gridders finally paid off big dividends as they handed a defeat to St. Anthony, Narry League leader, by a decisive score of 21-0. Unleashing a powerful air and ground offensive, the Raiders rode roughshod over their highly favored opponents. Al Comeau tallied twice and Damon Rivard

once for the Somerset scores. Rivard scored the three points after the touchdowns. The defensive play of "Cashew" Oliveira, Ed Whalen, and Red Carpenter was as fine as any seen during the season. However, it was a team victory, well earned and richly deserved.



The Blue and White took on the toughest slate of opponents in many a year during the '48 gridiron season. The Raiders finished their nine game schedule with one victory stacked against eight losses. The lone victory was an achievement in itself, however, the win being over the Narry League Champs, St. Anthony's of New Bedford. The Boudakianmen blanked the Parochials 21-0.

The Somerset footballers fielded a team mainly composed of first year men. The team had the spirit and the fight, but lacked the necessary scoring punch—many times faltering a few yards from the goal line. The light backfield found it difficult to score against heavier opponents.

Acacio Oliveira was placed on the Herald News All-Narry eleven. Charlie Carpenter was named to the second team. Al Comeau, Carl Sanderson, and Ed Whalen were given honorable mention on the squad. Eddie was also named center on the All-Bristol Small Schools Team.

SEASON SUMMARY

Somerset	7	Mansfield	25
Somerset	19	Hanover	20
Somerset	0	Dighton	6
Somerset	6	Franklin	20
Somerset	6	Diman	13
Somerset	0	Dartmouth	13
Somerset	21	St. Anthony	0
Somerset	12	Foxboro	33
Somerset	0	Case	7



Somerset battled Case to a 0-0 tie at the Jamboree.



Foxboro was surprised by the spirit and strength of the Raiders.

Although defeated by Case, 7-0, Somerset never stopped trying.





B A S K E T B A L L

First row: Robert O'Connell, Carl Sanderson, Arthur Soares, Captain; Albert Comeau, and Damon Rivard. Second row: Coach Boudakian, George Lee, David Traynor, James Mello, Robert Ferreira, Manager; Sylvester Vilela is also a member.

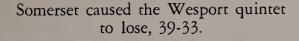




Bob O'Connell takes a rebound from Prevost. This game was a great victory for the Blue and White.

BASKETBALL

Although they did not clinch the Narry League Championship, the 1949 basketball team had a very successful season. Their record of fourteen wins and three losses qualified them for a second place league standing. The boys made up for what they lacked in height by speed and efficiency. Led by Captain Archie Soares, the Raiders proved to be a menace to their opponents. They were defeated only once on their home court and were successful in breaking the Boys' Club "jinx" by eking out a thrilling overtime win over Diman. The outstanding game of the season was the victory over undefeated Prevost. Control of the backboards by Si Vilela and Jim Mello was a prominent factor in these and other games. The "Blue and White" continually displayed the fight, determination, and good sportsmanship for which they are noted.







Bob O'Connell sinks the basket that tied the Diman game and forced it into overtime.

BASKETBALL RECORD

Somerset 40	Bristol 33
Somerset 44	Prevost 49
Somerset 38	Dighton 20
Somerset 46	Case 36
Somerset 39	Westport 33
Somerset 41	Diman 29
Somerset 33	Dartmouth 43
Somerset 48	Bristol 23
Somerset 49	Prevost 27
Somerset 31	Dighton 26
Somerset 57	Case 35
Somerset 47	Westport 32
Somerset 39	Diman 35
Somerset 30	Dartmouth 36
Total582	Total457

Lanky Dave Traynor tries for a basket in our home game with Dighton.

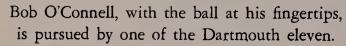




Shirley France and Coach Boudakian. Shirley is the Women's Professional Long Distance Swimming Champion.



Jake Lee drops a long shot into the basket at the Bristol Gym.





The Cheerleaders give out a lusty cheer for their captain.





GIRLS' BASKETBALL

MEMBERS

First row: Nancy George, Madlyn Crawford, Colette Michaud, Doris Thwaite, Captain; Sylvia Greene, Patricia Doyle, and Marilou Sullivan. Second row: Miss Worton, Coach; Barbara Wilson, Joan Murphy, Shirley France, Joan Fredenburg, Shelia Doyle, Patricia Greene, Manager; and Miss Sullivan, Coach.

They split their two games series with Durfee and with Dighton, but were successful in both contests with Bristol Aggies. Their first victory over a favored Durfee sextet built up a fighting spirit which lasted until the final whistle had blown at the last game. The girls learned that to play together is to win together. The season ended in a three way tie for the first place among Dighton, Durfee, and Somerset. Play-offs could not be arranged because of the inability to secure officials or a neutral court.

Somerset	23	Durfee	22
Somerset	46	Bristol Aggies	12
Somerset	24	Dighton	25
Somerset	18	Durfee	35
Somerset	35	Bristol Aggies	8
Somerset	25	Dighton	23
Total1	171	Total	125





CHEERLEADERS

First row: Phyllis Bradley, Jeanne Bienvenue, Doris Thwaite, Colette Michaud, and Virginia Wilson. Second row: Patricia Greene, Joan Fredenburg, Head; and Janice Duckworth.

C-H-E-E-R-L-E-A-D-E-R-S

Whether dressed in heavy sweaters for the cold football season or in snappy blue and white basketball uniforms, the cheerleaders of the '48-'49 season commanded the attention of all spectators. Their cheers displayed pep and vitality, punctuated with tumbles, cart-wheels, and flips.

It didn't matter to the girls what the score may have been, they never stopped giving the support that the team needed. It was this support that brought about several victories when defeat seemed inevitable. Miss Barbara Worton was the girls' supervisor.



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